

AIM

Alpine space In Movement, targeted to water & energy capitalization

- AS priority area: Environment and Risk Prevention
- Duration: 01/10/2013 - 31/12/2014
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Project summary

The project Alpine space In Movement (AIM) aims at becoming a “megaphone” of the Alpine Space Programme (ASP) projects active in the field of water & renewable energy. AIM will capitalise on the achievements of the numerous ASP projects dedicated to the promotion of energy production from renewables and on the optimization of water resource exploitation. The importance of the issue was highlighted by the EU directive on renewable energy sources (RES-E Directive) and by the EU Water Framework Directive. AIM will focus more specifically on the hydropower generation and the preservation of natural ecosystems. Indeed while hydropower is the most important renewable energy in the alpine areas, it can also negatively impact the environment. Specific dissemination actions (seminars involving key stakeholders of target groups, web communication, publications, etc.) are foreseen and will address in priority the relevant actors at EU, national and regional policy level.

Hypotheses

- [Alps are a hotspot for maintaining and restoring ecosystem services](#)

Keywords

- [renewable energies](#)
- [water management](#)
- [legislation](#)
- [prevention](#)

Topics

- [Safe development of energy resources](#)

Results

Results of a project can be differentiated in [outputs](#), [outcomes and impacts](#) of an intervention. [OECD Glossary of Key Terms in Evaluation and Results Based Management](#). Project outputs can generally be identified very easily. Yet, they represent only a first step towards the ultimate objective of project interventions: Initiating project-related outcomes and having true impacts on the ground.

Output	Category	Language(s)	Target group	Remark
Webs of life. Alpine biodiversity needs ecological connectivity. Results from the ECONNECT project	Report	EN	Policy maker; civil servants / administration; Planner; Scientists; Specific institutions; Civil society / citizen	Final project document containing: The project in a nutshell, major achievements, connectivity and selected key species, pilot regions and implemented activities, policy recommendations, after Econnect: how to continue the process

Outcomes and Impacts

Outcomes are the likely or achieved short-term and medium-term effects of an intervention's outputs, e.g. the outcome of improved, knowledge-based decision-making processes as an effect of a knowledge database (= output) established by a project. Outcomes will in most cases not materialise before project closure.

Impacts are positive and negative, primary and secondary long-term effects produced by a development intervention, directly or indirectly, intended or unintended. [OECD Glossary of Key Terms in Evaluation and Results Based Management](#)

As outcomes and impacts are difficult to differentiate, this section contains both of these types of project results.

The identification of outcomes and impacts requires a deeper insight into the respective project e.g. through project participants or direct interviews with project representatives. Outcomes and impacts are usually not solely influenced by projects, but are a complex combination of project results on the one hand and framework conditions on the other. Unlike project outputs, outcomes and results cannot be described in a standardised way. Therefore, they are listed as free text:

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Accessibility of project results

- [Econnect outputs on the official website of the project](#)
- [Econnect outputs on the website of the Alpine Space Programme](#)

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